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HOTEL

Customs, Sales And Travel Taxes Raised

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Taxes were raised yesterday on a wide variety of raw materials and consumer items, ranging from plastics to paper, and from building materials to electrical appliances. The tax on airline and boat tickets purchased with local currency was also raised, from 40 per cent to 55 per cent.

Regulations to this effect were published by the Ministry of Finance.

The increases are expected to add some IL18m. to the State's revenue.

According to Mr. Z. Sharef, Director of Inland Revenue, and Mr. A. Ariell, Deputy Director, the taxes do not necessarily mean a rise in prices as the industries involved could generally absorb the additional cost.

They told a press conference in Jerusalem that the additional income would cover all the extra tax revenue envisaged in the new budget. It allowed also for a surplus of IL10m. to cover farmers' drought losses.

Higher Duties

Customs duties on rubber articles, plastic sheets, electrical appliances for domestic use and lamp bulbs have been increased from 30 per cent to 100 per cent; imported raw materials for the plastics industry — from 40 per cent to 70 per cent; hides — from 7.5 per cent to 15 per cent; pulp — from 30 per cent to 40 per cent; and paper and cardboard — from 50 per cent to 100 per cent. Customs duties were also raised on timber and copper sheeting.

Purchase tax was raised on a number of domestic items such as carpets (from 7.5 per cent to 12.5 per cent) and washing machines (from 25 per cent to 35 per cent).

Hardest hit are building materials, particularly those used in "luxury" flats — sheet glass and wall tiles (from 30 per cent to 60 per cent); bathtubs (from 35 per cent to 50 per cent); paint (from 10 per cent to 15 per cent); radiators (from IL5.50 to IL7.50 per square metre); and elevators (from 25 per cent to 35 per cent).

Increase Approved

At a special session in Jerusalem yesterday, the Knesset Finance Committee approved a tax rise on airline and ship tickets purchased in local currency — from 40 per cent to 55 per cent.

The press conference was told that the new customs duties would increase Government revenue by IL11m., and the increases in purchase and travel taxes by IL34m.

Expressing their hope that prices would not rise, the Finance Ministry officials pointed out that leather goods prices had not been lowered when the price of raw materials went down, and the industry could therefore absorb an increase of production costs amounting to IL340,000. This was only a small part of the industry's estimated annual turnover of IL24.

Additional building costs would total some IL8m. — again only a very small part of the total sum spent on building, it was said.

The impact on the cost-of-living index — should prices rise — would be slight, amounting to only half a point, it was stated.

Producers 'Surprised'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The new taxes announced yesterday, particularly the increased custom duties on raw materials, came as a surprise to businessmen in view of "the concerted efforts by the Government and the manufacturers to keep prices stable."

This reaction came yesterday from the spokesman of the Manufacturers' Association, who said that its considered attitude towards the increases would be made known after a thorough examination of the new regulations.

SPAIN GIVES RIGHTS TO U.S. OIL FIRM

MADRID (UPI). — The Spanish Government yesterday officially gave the American Gulf Oil Company the right to explore for oil in Spain's African provinces.

Dayan Sees French Chief of Staff

PARIS (AFP). — The Israel Minister of Agriculture, Abba Moshe Dayan, who is here on his way to the U.S., yesterday met with the French Chief of Staff, General Paul Ely. Abba Dayan is to fly to Washington tomorrow.

The Israel Deputy Minister of Defence, Mr. Shimon Peres, who arrived together with Abba Dayan, has begun his talks with the Israel Purchasing Mission here.

Mr. Peres is scheduled to meet with the French Minister of the Armed Forces, M. Pierre Messmer, and the Minister-Delegate at the Prime Minister's Office, M. Pierre Guillaumat.

Commenting on Abdul Nasser's recent statements, Abba Dayan in a television interview last night denied that Israel is concentrating armed forces along her borders. He added that the recent incidents in the Lake Kinneret region were "routine incidents, of no particular gravity," and that they probably would not have occurred at all if the United Nations had displayed more forcefulness.

Herut No-Confidence Motion in Knesset

POST Knesset Reporter

Mr. Menahem Begin (Herut) is to present a motion of non-confidence in the Government this morning in the Knesset.

The motion, which was submitted to the Speaker yesterday, reads:

"Since the Prime Minister in his speech in the Knesset on February 22, 1960, gave moral sanction to the infiltration of enemies into the State of Israel and to the granting of refuge to these infiltrators in its territory, the Knesset, expressing non-confidence in the Government."

The motion is apparently based on Mr. Ben-Gurion's statement that he could understand the feelings of Israel Arabs who aid infiltrators and that perhaps in their place he would do the same.

The statement was made in the course of his reply to Opposition bills to abrogate the Defence Regulations of 1945, which are the legal basis for the Military Government.

B-G Reports to Knesset Committee on Security

Israel's security and defence situation was reviewed yesterday by the Prime Minister and Minister of Defence, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, in the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee. It is understood that Mr. Ben-Gurion's report was similar in content to that submitted to the Cabinet some weeks ago.

The Committee opened a discussion on the security report which is to be continued next Friday at a special session of the Committee in Tel Aviv, when Mr. Ben-Gurion will give his reply.

Cuba Names Group To Renew Talks in U.S.

HAVANA (Reuter). — The Cuban Government announced on Sunday night the naming of a commission to renew negotiations with the U.S. over "pending matters" between the two countries.

The Foreign Ministry here announced that the Cuban commission would start negotiations in Washington on a date to be agreed upon.

The announcement added: "The Government wishes to make clear that renewal of negotiations is necessarily conditioned to the fact that the U.S. Government or Congress does not adopt any unilateral measure of any kind which may prejudice results of the said negotiations or that might damage the economy and people of Cuba."

Kassem: Will Help Syria Free Herself

Premier Kassem of Iraq told a teachers' conference in Baghdad yesterday that "we shall do our utmost for our sister Syria to help her liberate herself from dictatorship and personal rule."

In an obvious reference to Abdul Nasser, Kassem said: "My tongue is unable to fashion words if I attempt to attack others. But that liar and pretender will never be able to overpower us." Iraq, he went on, had decided to lead the peoples of the Middle East, and those who had come out against her had best retrace their steps, for their own good and for the good of all the Arab countries.

To 'Destroy Dictators'

Kassem continued: "We are pledged to destroy dictatorship and to do away with every idol who tries to force himself on us, whether from within Iraq or from outside ... Imperialists and those who covet our riches will soon realize that they will not overcome us."

Referring to "Palestine," he asserted that a "Palestine republic" will emerge, and said that "the Zionist and Arab traitors fear our plan."

Kassem said Iraq had been divided up into sections and pockets, and an aggressor could be crushed within moments.

In a reference to the Iraqi "Peace Partisans," he said this organization was a movement. There was no such thing as a Peace Partisans "association," Kassem added.

(Baghdad R., Reuter).

Nasser Charges 'Communist Plots'

Abdul Nasser delivered two more speeches in Damascus yesterday in which he accused the Communists of plotting against him from Berlin, and of fabricating anti-U.A.R. lies in their newspapers in Lebanon and Iraq.

Nasser also accused Communist groups, who had recently emerged from their holes, of attempting to exploit the union between Egypt and Syria for their own ends. But, he added, "the people of the U.A.R. will crush them."

In Cairo, the Egyptian press yesterday published reports under banner headlines describing Nasser's speech in Damascus on Monday night and predicting the use of force over the "Palestine issue."

Foreign observers viewed yesterday's headlines — such as "The great powers' threats do not frighten us," "We shall celebrate our third anniversary with the usurped parts of our territory liberated," and "The crowds shout 'Amer, we want Palestine!'"—as the most combative yet in the current crisis with Israel.

President Eisenhower yesterday sent his congratulations to Nasser on the second anniversary of the establishment of the U.A.R.

(Reuter, Damascus Radio).

Van Horn Reports To UN on Border Clashes

POST Political Reporter

The U.N.T.S.O. Chief of Staff, General Carl von Horn, has submitted his report on the recent incidents along the Israel-Syrian border, and to the Demilitarized Zone to the U.N. Secretariat in New York, the U.N. spokesman in Jerusalem said yesterday.

The U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, is to decide whether to circulate the report, and until such a decision is taken it is considered an internal U.N. document. It is understood that Israel will decide finally on her reaction to General von Horn's report after its publication, since no copies of the report were submitted to the Foreign Ministry.

Heads of Moslem Conf. States Meet in Lahore

LAHORE (Reuter). — The Shah of Persia and President Mohammed Ayub Khan of Pakistan arrived yesterday in Lahore from Karachi to join President Celal Bayar of Turkey in talks aimed at strengthening their anti-Communist alliance in Central, the successor of the Baghdad Pact.

Political observers believe the talks have a good chance of leading to new agreements providing mutual support in military, economic and other fields.

According to reliable Pakistani sources, the proposals to be studied include the creation of a joint executive military command, pooling of economic resources, joint investment in development projects and increased technical exchanges.

The discussions are likely to envisage improved road and rail communications, the liberalization of travel restrictions and the encouragement of trade.

Baby Boy For Princess Michiko

TOKYO (Reuter). — A baby prince was born here yesterday to 26-year-old Princess Michiko, wife of Crown Prince Akihito of Japan, and the birth ceremony is here expected into the imperial family in 1,000 years.

Michiko, daughter of a wealthy miller, met the Crown Prince on a tennis court in 1957 and they were married last April.

Both mother and child — named in succession to the Imperial throne—were reported to be doing well.

Paris: 3-Power Pact Still Stands

By ISRAEL NEUMANN
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — France yesterday flatly denied that Nasser has any right to declare void the 1950 Tripartite Declaration guaranteeing the status quo in the Middle East. The Quai d'Orsay spokesman reaffirmed that the Declaration still stood and, in answer to questions, said that since Nasser was not a party to it, he was not qualified to express an opinion about its validity.

(In a speech in Damascus on Monday, Nasser said the 1950 Declaration, issued by the U.S., Britain and France, was "buried in the soil of Port Said" during the 1956 Suez action, and that it was "irrevocably finished.")

The French spokesman's clear-cut statement reflects the Quai d'Orsay's increasing awareness of the gravity of the Middle East situation. Foreign Ministry sources here, however, unofficially admit that the effectiveness of the Tripartite Declaration is doubtful and that the situation calls for intensified consultations to work out common action to combat the danger of a new Middle East conflagration.

The Quai d'Orsay's initiative, however, seems to have met with little understanding in London and Washington, which still seem unwilling to associate France in a common Middle East policy.

Regarding reports of a renewal of Soviet arms shipments to Egypt, the Quai d'Orsay spokesman considered that these were very dangerous.

CAIRO REACTION

The Cairo daily "Al Ahram" said yesterday that declarations made recently by Britain, France and the U.S. about the determination to stand by the Middle East situation, and the consultations initiated by Britain to confirm the Tripartite Declaration, were "a blow to the theory of the U.A.R.'s revolution, the aim of which the reaction to the people's victory in same conditions and based conditions on our borders do not frighten us in the least," the paper said.

Rescue Teams Fight Fires To Reach 106 Trapped Miners

EAST BERLIN (Reuter). — Rescue workers from all parts of East Germany were last night fighting a raging fire in an all-out drive to reach 106 miners trapped more than 1,000 metres underground in the Karl Marx mine in Zwickau, Saxony.

Rescue parties were pushing the fire back inch by inch. Seventeen bodies have been recovered and 86 miners rescued since an explosion started the fire Monday morning.

The East German Radio quoted Mr. Kurt Gregor, Deputy Chairman of the East German State Planning Commission, as saying that the situation is "very grave."

Mr. Gregor said rescue work is proving very difficult because of the strong fumes and heat. "We have done everything and we will continue to do everything possible to fight the fire and get through to the trapped miners."

Rescue teams are using smoke masks to try to reach the trapped miners, who are cut off by gas and fire.

One mining worker said they were working in impossible shifts. Now fresh men were being let down the pit, he said. "But the heat is so strong we cannot stand it for long."

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Research Council to Define Priorities in Science Projects

By LEA BEN-DOR, Jerusalem Post Reporter

"Science is an essential factor in the future of Israel. We must not forget that the success of development and of our money are due in great part to science," the Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, said yesterday afternoon at the formal opening session of the reorganized National Research and Development Council.

The new body, which is headed by the Israel Research Council, is headed by Prof. Israel Dostrovsky, Chairman, who left his position as head of the Budget Department of the Weizmann Institute recently to head the Research work of the Defence Ministry's Atomic Energy projects.

The Deputy Chairman and Director-General is Mr. D. Blanchard, who formulated the draft outline of the Council's aims on the basis of which the body was set up.

The other members of the Executive are Mr. A. Guilbert, of Parliament and Chairman; Prof. D. Ginsburg, of the Technion; Prof. S. Cohen of the Hebrew University; Dr. M. Perrot, of the Medical School; Prof. E. Katzir, of the Weizmann Institute.

Other members include the Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office and the Ministries of Agriculture, Commerce and Industry, and Development, the Director of Budgets in the Ministry of Finance, and representatives of the Ministries of Finance, Defence and Labour.

Essential Task

Prof. Dostrovsky told the Council that its essential task was to define priorities in scientific spending.

"We cannot work out a practical policy in science or education without taking into account ultimate aims and national policies. Conversely, national policies must be based on physical resources and, most particularly, on available manpower."

As things stood at present, he did not think that the proportion as between "directed" and "non-directed" research was ideal; there was probably too over-emphasis on non-directed or basic research.

The Council would, at first, seek to coordinate full research into all aspects of water problems in Israel, on the prospects of a basic chemical industry, with particular reference to local raw materials, and on agricultural problems. Specialist sub-committees would be appointed in these major fields, and it was possible that experts from abroad might be co-opted onto them.

Mr. Blanchard stressed the economic aspects of scientific research. It was not enough to tell scientists that we wished to settle the Negev. Economic policy had to be translated into scientific terms before it could be studied systematically. He believed that what was known as "operational research" (study of the efficacy of processes) would require an increasing importance.

One of the major projects of the Council would be the collection and circulation of scientific and technological information, but its functions would be limited to co-ordination, and he thought that special training for this purpose would serve necessary.

It was also proposed to begin on a full mechanization of the scientific manpower available in Israel, to check whether their knowledge was being usefully applied, and to estimate future needs in this field.

Current Budget

The current year's budget is IL2,000,000, of which IL500,000 will go for basic study and information projects, another IL500,000 on the Negev Research Station at Beersheba, which has been in existence for some years, IL400,000 for the National Physical Laboratory and Solar Energy Research, also established by the original Research Council.

In the general debate which followed, Mr. M. Tover, the Director-General of the Ministry of Trade and Industry, expressed the hope consideration for industry on the part of the scientists. Mr. Blanchard told him that he hoped for much closer cooperation, but that industry would have to learn to pay for requirements and detailed its requirements.

Challenges Approach

Prof. E.D. Bergmann, head of the Defence Ministry's scientific Branch, challenged the "economic approach" to science. Projects could not always be judged by whether they were worth-while from the financial point of view. He said he hoped that national security would benefit if more emphasis was placed on diversity research.

Prof. G. Racah, of the Hebrew University, pointed out that Prof. Dostrovsky had said that the Council would advise the Government on the application to the institutions of higher learning with a view to making it possible to attract more students. Yet there was already a special Council for higher education whose duty it was to do precisely this. He hoped the functions of the various bodies would not be prejudiced by overlap.

Amery in Nicosia For Cyprus Talks

By GEOFFREY WIGODER
Special to The Jerusalem Post

NICOSIA. — British Colonial Under-Secretary Julian Amery was due to arrive here from London late last night after the flight had been delayed. He is expected to meet Greek and military officials today and may begin his talks with Cypriot leaders until tomorrow.

He is expected to bring with him proposals on the size of the Greek Enclave, which certain other Cyprus authorities have proposed.

It is generally thought that the Greek issue will be tackled first, and that the topics of the talks with first will be those dealing with the administration of the base areas, training facilities for British forces and the problems concerning installations outside the bases, as well as British payments to Cyprus.

If Britain takes a generous attitude on these points, there is a greater probability of the talks concerned on constitutional issues being more fruitful than the Cypriot leaders have so far been willing to concede. The Turkish Cypriots have so far thought, in any case, that Britain is giving Greece too much, especially over the seven sqaure miles, which Greek Cypriots demanding 230 square miles, while Turkish Cypriots were at most prepared to concede only 18 square miles.

Khrushchev Meets Balinese Beauties

DENPASAR, Bali Island (Reuter). — Mr. Nikita Khrushchev was greeted by 300 Balinese beauties who showed flowers in his path and over his head when he arrived here by air yesterday on his Indonesian tour.

The Soviet Prime Minister was garlanded and sprinkled with rose-water and incense sticks were carried in front of him as he walked with President Sukarno down the rows of girls.

To music drums and gongs, he placed flowers from his coat and threw them back to the singing girls.

Mr. Khrushchev, who looked tired, has for an extended stopover scheduled here, and he is expected to hold talks with President Sukarno together with the Soviet and Indonesian Foreign Ministers, Mr. Andrei Gromyko and Dr. Subandrio.

On Sunday President Sukarno said he is prepared to speak for Mr. Khrushchev to speak for Africa and Asia at the coming conference.

He told an audience in Bogor after a speech by Mr. Khrushchev: "I hope that representatives of Asia and Africa be at the present. If it is not possible, then Khrushchev, who is a friend of Africa and Asia, will explain our views."

(Reuter, UPI).

Bonn Seeks Military Supply Bases in Europe

Ike in Brazil's Future Capital

BRASILIA. — President Eisenhower arrived at Brazil's futuristic new capital on his two-week tour of four South American nations.

The U.S. President was welcomed at the airport by President Juscelino Kubitschek, with whom he left for the centre of the new city, the town, north-west of the present capital. He is staying.

The two Presidents later held discussions dealing with the general political situation, and reviewed the questions of U.S. assistance to Brazil and other South American states within the framework of Mr. Kubitschek's broad pan-American programme.

Mr. Eisenhower arrived in Brazilia several hours after reports from Buenos Aires said that three American flags were burned there Monday night after an open-air meeting of the Argentine Socialist Party. The reports said police dispersed a demonstration which followed the rally, but no arrests were made.

Governor Visit

Speaking at the Socialist meeting, General Mr. Eisenhower's forthcoming visit to Argentina, where he is due on Friday.

In Washington, the White House announced that there is no concern there regarding reports of possible Communist demonstrations during Mr. Eisenhower's tour. The White House Press Officer, Mr. James Hagerty, refused to comment on a report from Santiago, Chile, that the Communists are planning a demonstration there on Mr. Eisenhower's arrival next week and whether diplomatic representations are being taken by the government, replied: "My only reaction is to the report."

In Brazilia last night, President Eisenhower was the guest of honour at a banquet given by President Kubitschek in his new capital. He expressed his surprise at the work done, and said that it was inspiring to see at close range the energy and vision which were so typical of Brazil and its inhabitants.

(Reuter, AFP).

Spain Among Intended Sites

West Germany is considering negotiating with Spain for the right to establish military supply bases behind the Pyrenees, the Bonn Government indicated yesterday.

Such arrangements have been made with Portugal, the Netherlands and Denmark for more than a year, and Bonn officials said Germany would have long ago made similar arrangements with Spain, but for the fact that Spain was not a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

In a statement issued by the Federal Press Office, the Bonn Government said it was considering opening negotiations with Spain for the right to establish military supply bases on Spanish territory.

Bonn officials said that Germany's interest in Spain was due to the fact that it was the only country left in Western Europe which was not a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Norway Considered

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The Government spokesman explained West Germany's desire to establish supply bases in Spain by saying that the bases would be used in the event of a war.

Although the Bonn Government did not say so, it was clear that such bases would be of German benefit, but not to West Germany, for the Spanish bases would be used in the second stage of a war.

Training Facilities

Bases, reliable observers pointed out, would also be used in peacetime for training purposes. Spain has plenty of open space, and Germany has plenty of troops. Training facilities in Spain would be much better than in Germany, where the population is so dense.

The Bonn Government has been going on with France, the Netherlands and Denmark for more than a year, and Denmark for more than a year, and Denmark for more than a year. Although no formal agreements have been made, although no formal agreements have been signed with these countries, it is known that Germany has been given the right to establish military supply bases on their territory.

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U.S. Rejects Soviet 'Political' Quota

GENEVA (Reuter). — The U.S. said the Soviet proposal for a quota system for the Geneva talks on a ceasefire in Laos was "a political quota" and "not a small quota." Quota for the representatives of underdeveloped nations.

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E. German Move To Inflict Dibelius

BERLIN (UPI). — The East Berlin district authority announced yesterday that it would open the Bonn office of the Evangelical Church Office in the Soviet Sector of Germany.

The East Germans have written A.B.R., said the district authority has started "preliminary proceedings" against the head of the German Evangelical Church.

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Bonn to Aid India As 'First Priority'

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — Dr. Heinrich von Brentano, West Germany Foreign Minister, said here yesterday West Germany would participate in India's economic development as a "first priority."

The Minister, who before his arrival here visited Ceylon, Burma and Thailand, said he had a private talk with President Ayub Khan of Pakistan, and had already offered a credit of IL10m. marks (about IL2m.) in credit to India.

ADDIS CELEBRATES ARMED FORCES DAY

ADDIS ABABA (UPI). — The Ethiopian Armed Forces Day was celebrated here today with a parade of troops and tanks in honour of the anniversary of the Ethiopian victory over the Italians in 1896.

Emperor Haile Selassie and other dignitaries watched the parade from a stand in front of the Imperial Palace.

Believe Plot Among Of Reported Plan with Egypt

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Fawzi El-Shafei, the Egyptian Ambassador, said that the Egyptian Government had no knowledge of a reported plot to overthrow the Syrian Government with the aid of Egypt, and that the reports were false.

Dr. El-Shafei said that the reports had appeared in the Syrian Government's official newspaper, Al Thawra, and in the Beirut newspaper, Al Hayat.

The Syrian Government had made no comment on the reports, he said.

Dr. El-Shafei said that the reports were due to the fact that Egypt and Syria had been working closely together since the formation of the United Arab Republic.

The reports said that Egypt was to provide the Syrian Government with the plot against the Syrian Government.

Dr. El-Shafei said that the reports were false.

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Social & Personal

The President yesterday received the nine-member mission of Seine Department officials headed by Senator Georges Dardel, President of the Department. The group was presented by the Minister of Interior, Mr. Moshe H. Shapiro. The President also received Messrs. Emil Berner and Paul Haller, of Switzerland, and Dr. Zerah Wahrhaftig, M.K.

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The Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, yesterday received a delegation of the Agudat Lama'an Yerushalayim, comprising Mrs. Vera Tsur, Dr. Siegfried Moses, Dr. Kalman Mann and Mr. M. Shenhabi.

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The Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Kadish Luz, yesterday received Mr. Jose Gonzales Navarro, the Venezuelan Trade Union leader.

The Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, yesterday gave a dinner at the Eden Hotel in Jerusalem in honour of Dr. Mariano Picon-Salas, Venezuelan Ambassador to UNESCO and a leading South American writer, and in honour of Mr. Navarro and their ladies. Among those present were the Knesset Speaker, the President of the Supreme Court, Cabinet Ministers, the Venezuelan Minister, heads of foreign missions to Israel and senior Foreign Ministry officials. Among those present at a reception which followed were a representative of the President's Office, Deputy Knesset Speakers, heads of Knesset factions, members of the Hebrew University faculty, and many public figures. In the afternoon, Mrs. Meir entertained to tea Mmes. Picon-Salas, Navarro and Gerbasi, wife of the new Venezuelan Minister.

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The French Consul-General, M. Christian Marcotte de Saint Marie, and the Consul, M. Jean Marian, yesterday called on the President of the Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Menachem Eliachar, at the Chamber's offices.

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Mr. Fred Monosson, of Boston, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by the Soldiers Welfare Committee in Tel Aviv on Tuesday.

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Mrs. Shoshana Hareli, of the Executive of Moetzet Hapoalot, has returned from a speaking tour as emissary to Pioneer Women of the U.S. and Canada.

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The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Ogden Reid, is to address a ladies' luncheon of the Haifa Rotary Club at the Appinger Hotel at 1 o'clock today to mark the 55th anniversary of Rotary International.

The Jerusalem Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Y.M.C.A. today at 1.15 p.m.

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Mr Harold Howland, of the U.S. Embassy, will speak on "Education for all American Youth" at Beit Tchernichovski, Rehov Hakirya, Tel Aviv, at 8.30 p.m. today. The lecture is sponsored by the Tel Aviv Municipality and the Israel-America Friendship League.

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There will be a reading of Peter Ustinov's "The Love of Four Colonels" tonight at 8.30 at the British Council, 13 Rehov Idelson, Tel Aviv.

H.U. Appointments

The following Hebrew University Instructors have been promoted to the rank of Lecturer: Dr. Ephraim Harnik (Experimental Physics), Dr. Daniel Zohary (Botany) and Dr. Aviezer Kertes (Inorganic Chemistry). Mr. Amos Dovrat has been appointed Instructor in Forage Crops.

A Day in Israel For 366 Americans

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Norwegian liner, s.s. Oslofjord, yesterday paid a one-day call here with 366 American tourists.

The ship, which is on a Mediterranean cruise, arrived at seven in the morning, and was due to sail at midnight. Most of the tourists came ashore for sightseeing.

RAN. — The Memphis, Tennessee, Board of Censors has banned the film "Island in the Sun," starring Harry Belafonte and Joan Fontaine, as "inflammatory." The Board described the film, a story of inter-racial love, as: "Too frank a depiction of miscegenation and no good for either White or Negro."

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Toft Sets Sails For South Africa

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Captain Erhard V. Schultz, master of the Danish "Suez ship," Inge Toft, was yesterday made an honorary member of the Israel's Seamen's Union.

The membership card was presented to him by the Secretary of the Seamen's Union, Capt. Walter Dallman, shortly before the ship sailed for South Africa. She left without any cargo and is due to pick up fish meal in Africa. She will then continue to Japan.

Capt. Dallman told the master that "we seamen know best of all what you have gone through." The Union has decided to make him an honorary member as a token of Israel seamen's appreciation of his stand.

The Union presented each member of the crew with a gift box of Stock liquors, as "token compensation" for their difficulties at Port Said.

The Dutch Trade Union Federation yesterday cabled its admiration for the stand of Captain Schultz and his crew in the cause of freedom of navigation.

Asked for Facts On 'Persecution'

Jerusalem Post Staff

HAIFA. — Mr. Boulos Boulos, a local businessman, sent a telegram to *The Jerusalem Post* last week, protesting against the alleged refusal to allow him to appear with legal counsel of his own choice on being summoned before the Military Governor of Majd al Krum, in the Acre area.

Mr. Boulos said he was told to appear to give details of the "religious persecution" he alleged in cables he recently sent to Rome and Moscow and other capitals. He claimed that the summons was "capriciously made under the emergency regulations." He added that he had consulted Mr. Elias Koussa, a Haifa lawyer, but that the Military Governor refused to grant the latter a permit to visit Majd al Krum. This, he claimed, "deprived him of lawful defence."

Quarry Owner

The Jerusalem Post learns that Mr. Boulos, a Greek Orthodox Arab, who owns stone quarries in Bi'neh village in Western Galilee, was invited to appear before the Military Governor who wished to inquire about the allegations made in his cables to the Pope, the head of the Greek Orthodox Church in the U.S.S.R., and to Moscow Radio, of "religious persecution in Israel" and of the existence of concentration camps. The information sought concerned who is being prosecuted and by whom, and other specific details.

Mr. Koussa, who lives in Haifa, has as a rule not been granted permission to visit military areas under the rule of the military governor, where his activity was regarded as undesirable. There is no restriction whatever against Mr. Boulos consulting Mr. Koussa in Haifa, or against his engaging any other counsel who has a travel permit for military areas.

Jerusalem High Schools To Get City Patronage

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem Municipality is to take three high schools under its wing by the end of the current school year; eventually it is hoped that all of the city's high schools will accept Municipality supervision and thus form a united secondary education system, Deputy-Mayor Moshe Gevirtzman told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Mr. Gevirtzman (National Religious Party), who is in charge of the Department of Education, said that informal talks were already being held with the following three schools: the Hebrew Secondary School (Rehavia Gymnasium), with 520 pupils, the Ma'aleh Secondary school (religious) with 216 pupils, and Beit Hahinuch Hatichon (Histadrut high school), with 240 pupils.

Spokesmen for all three schools told *The Jerusalem Post* that they would welcome the patronage of the Municipality, seeing in it a solution to many of their pressing problems, especially the shortage of classrooms.

Mr Gevirtzman did not think there would be any change in tuition fees when the city assumes responsibility for the schools. The fee for the lowest class this year is IL430. Only about half the pupils pay this sum, the others enjoying various reductions.

Reduced Fees

He said that three years ago, 35 per cent of all pupils attending qualified for a reduction; two years ago this rose to 38 per cent, while last year the proportion was 48 per cent. Eighty-five per cent of those qualifying for these grants take advantage of them and continue their schooling. About half of them belong to the Oriental Communities.

At present, Jerusalem has 18 secondary schools with 4,431 pupils in 130 classes. Eight belong to the State trend and have 2,479 pupils; seven to the State Religious trend and have 1,261 pupils, and three are "Independent" (Aguda) with 691 pupils.

Tel Aviv and Natanya have already established a municipal secondary school system; Haifa is expected to do so soon.

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Air Fares Accord May Be Extended

PARIS (Reuter).—Eighty representatives of the principal world airlines met in conference behind closed doors here on Tuesday to fix fares for the coming year. The session is to last a fortnight.

The first question for discussion yesterday was extension of the current fares agreement in order to give time for any decisions reached to be implemented.

The main task of the conference is to decide whether to extend the trans-atlantic routes, including from Europe, to India, Africa, the Far East and Australia.

The present fares agreement expires on April 29. Dispute over the possibility that lower fares will not be an economic proposition prevented agreement at a conference of airlines belonging to the International Air Transport Association held in Honolulu last autumn.

Mexican Parliament Sending Delegation

LYDDA AIRPORT.—A Mexican Parliamentary delegation, comprising the President of the Senate and two members each of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, are expected on March 3 on an official mission to Israel.

This was disclosed here yesterday by Mr. Jose Velasquez, Director of the Engineering Section of the Mexican Ministry of Agriculture, and Mr. Jorge Garcia, Assistant Director, upon their arrival for a month's study mission as guests of the Ministry of Agriculture. They will study Israel's irrigation system. *(Itim)*

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
472, 256.4 & 249 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m. English: 2.00 p.m. French: 2.15 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Keller: Overture. Glinka: Kamarinskaja; Brahms: Twelve Hungarian Dances; Sinding: Rustle of Spring; Offenbach: Excerpts from "La Perichole"; Donizetti: Overture "The Daughter of the Regiment". 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.30 Lunchtime Music. 1.00 Little Concert: Weber: Overture "Der Freischuetz"; Mozart: Concerto in B-flat major for Bassoon & Orchestra. (Soloist: Archie Camden). 1.45 Where to Go? 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Foreign News Broadcast. 5.05 Songs & Dances at Your Request. 5.35 Language Corner. 5.50 Intermezzo. 5.05 "Fruit & Flower." 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Melodies by Charles Aznavour. 7.30 Hebrew Songs. 7.40 "Regavim" — Agricultural Mag. 7.50 Announcements on Kol Yisrael Programmes. 8.00 Programme on Musical Shows, ed. by Y. Daliot & presented by S. Segal. 8.25 "From Oriental Experience". 8.50 Bible Reading: Yirmiyahu, Chaps. 35 & 36. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 "Once Upon a Time" — Series ed. by A. Etzlinger. 10.05 Chopin: Sonata in B-flat minor, played by Frederic Portnoi (Piano). 10.30 A Glimpse at Israel. 10.35 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
440, 422.5, 202 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 Hebrew-Morrabit Lesson. 6.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 6.45 Polish. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Talk by Prof. Robert Dutran of Geneva University. 8.15 Operas by Israel Composers — (Programme 1): Marc Lavry: "The Guardian." Soloists: Shoshana Shoshan and Ina Goldenstein (Soprani), Avraham Wilkomirski (Tenor), Yehuda Ben-Svi and Paolo Gorin (Baritones) with the Kol Eion Lagola Choir and the Kol Yisrael Orchestra, conducted by the Composer. 9.00 Ladino. 9.30 Rumanian. 9.45 Hungarian. 10.00 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
407 & 41.7 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m. 1.15-3.15 and 8.30-11.15 p.m.

KOL YISRAEL LAGOLA (33.3 M.): Programme to the U.S.: 10.30 News. 10.40 Tune of the Week. 10.45 Talking Things Over.

Programme to South Africa: 6.15 News. 6.25 From the Federation. 6.30 Man in the Street.

ARMY PROGRAMME (216, 325 and 258 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.30 Music. 6.40 "Science in Uniform". 6.55 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 Songs. 7.30 Songs of the Nations. 8.00 "Army's Diary". 8.15 Military Music — Air Force Orchestra. 8.00 News. 9.15 Weekly Symphony Concert: Works by Rossini, Bartok & Beethoven. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (20.26, 25.15, 19.76, 19.46 & 16.84 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News, News Comment, In the Jewish World.

MUSIC U.S.A. VOICE OF AMERICA — English Programme: 5.00 and 6.00 a.m. News, UN in Action on 31 and 41 M. 7.00 a.m. News, Press Opinion USA on 31 and 41 M. 8.00 a.m. News, Raymond Swing Analysis, Report to Europe on 31, 41, 49 and 238 M. 9.00 and 10.00 a.m. News, The American Journal on 13, 19 and 31 M. 3.00 p.m. News, Report to South Asia on 11, 13 and 19 M. 4.00 p.m. News, Raymond Swing Analysis, Arts in America on 11, 13, 19, 25 and 31 M. 5.00 p.m. News, Raymond Swing Analysis, Report to Near East on 19, 25 and 31 M. 6.00 p.m. News, Arts in America on 11, 19, 25, 31 and 41 M. 7.00 p.m. News, Report to Near East, on 13, 19 and 25 M. 7.30 p.m. Listeners' Log (President's Press Conference) on 13, 19 and 25 M. 8.00 p.m. News, Report to Africa on 19 and 25 M. 8.30 p.m. Perspective (Creative Method) on 19 and 25 M. 9.00 and 10.00 p.m. Special News, Music USA on 19 and 25 M. 11.00 p.m. News, Raymond Swing Analysis, Journalists' Digest on 25, 31, 41 and 238 M. 11.30 p.m. Perspective (Creative Method) on 25, 31, 41 and 238 M. 12.00 p.m. News, Raymond Swing Analysis, Journalists' Digest on 25, 31, 41 and 238 M.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (434 & 405 M.): News: 7.30 a.m. 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m.

7.45 a.m. The Coca Cola Programme. 8.00 Melodies & Memories. 8.30 Housewives' Choice. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Strange Last Words. 9.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 The Melody Dance Band. 10.30 Edmundo Ross. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Women's Magazine. 12.00 Mid-day Melodies. 2.15 p.m. "The Name is Shane." 3.30 Wednesday Matinee. 6.45 The Lanitis Programme. 7.15 I Give and Bequeath. 10.00 Emergency. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Teller of Tales.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

* Music Lecture: —
"My Instrument" — Mr. Hanoch Tel Oren, flutist (Mrs. Nelly Ben-Or at the Piano). Rubin Music Academy, 8.30.
* Tours: —
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* Exhibitions: —
Artists House: 10-1, 4-6. Paintings by Shmuel Schlesinger, Miriam Bartov. Collage paintings by Ella Raayoni.
Safrai Art Gallery, 37 Jaffa Road, Tel. 43727. Est. 1935. 8-1, 3-7. Friday 8-2. New exhibition: Oils by Lilian Levy. All purchases mailed upon request.
* Bezalel National Museum: —
Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art: Archaeological objects. Primitive Art. Contemporary Japanese prints and posters. Dutch paintings from the Museum's collection. 9-1 2.30-5.
Department of Antiquities, 36 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Special exhibitions: New excavations at Beersheba and Eynan. Also permanent exhibition. 9-1, 3-5.
* Zoo: —
Jerusalem Biological Zoo, 9-6.

TEL AVIV

* Italian Puppet Theatre: —
Piccoli, return season. New Programme. Peer Cinema, 4, 8.30.
* Theatres: —
Habimah: "Visit of the Old Lady" (Sold out), 8.30.
Cameri: "Twelfth Night," 8.30.
Ohel: "Hotel Paradiso", 8.30.
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* Exhibitions: —
Modern Art in Israel. Painters and Sculptors Association, Hamlin House, 10-1, 4-7.
Annual Exhibition of Israeli Artists, Beit Dizengoff, 16 Rothschild Blvd., 10-1, 4-7.
African Primitive Art: statuettes, masks, implements, from collection of Mr. Sam Dubiner (over 180 exhibits). Helena Rubinstein Pavilion, 10-1, 4-7.
Ancient Glass Exhibition, Museum Ha'aretz, near Ramat Aviv, 1-8.
* Y.O.A. House: —
Film Club: "The Long Voyage Home", 7, 9.15.
Tourist Service, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

HAIFA

* Tourist Centre: —
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hehalutz, Tel. 67955.
* Exhibitions: —
Paintings by Shmuel Raayoni, Israel Painters & Sculptors Association, 24 UNO Avenue, 10-1, 4-7.

PETAH TIKVA

* Israel National Opera: —
"La Traviata", Heikhal, 8.30.

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VISITORS' GALLERY; Prof. Ann Perkins

WOMAN WHO DIGS IN MEN'S FIELDS

Prof. Ann Perkins, a cheerful, energetic woman who lectures in classical archaeology at Yale University, finds the Israel milieu an exhilarating experience of ancient terrain being walked by a contemporary people with a lively interest in its contents.

Her special interest is the classical period in the Middle East, and Israel is "stuffed with things that I like." Her likes in this case are shared not only by a few ivory tower colleagues but by what seems to be the entire population of the country.

"We in America come to the field from the outside. We have no native archaeology as you do here, where it's all bound up with your tradition and history. Some people like to dig up Indian mounds at home. But as a whole, our students have to get their knowledge from books. In Israel, you can dig around every corner."

Notwithstanding these handicaps, Prof. Perkins acquired a knowledge of her subject which propelled her into an academic stronghold that bars women from its undergraduate body and does not encourage their entrance into the academic staff either.

There is no chair of archaeology either at Yale or at any other American university and it is offered as part of a general education in the classics. "It's a fortunate thing, too," noted Prof. Perkins. "There are very few jobs open in the field — some teaching posts and the museums."

Devouring Sites

Prof. Perkins studied at the University of Chicago and the Oriental Institute. She finished her training in 1940, just as war made it impossible to go on a scheduled dig to Turkey. On her present trip through the Middle East under the auspices of the State Department, she has been devouring Greco-Roman sites and "wearing out one professor after another." (In Israel, Prof. Perkins is a guest of the Hebrew University, where she has delivered a number of lectures.)

Jerusalem, with its "rich, warm golden colour against a blue sky," reminds her of the great site of Baalbek in the Lebanon, which she saw for the first time several weeks ago. Asked what she thought of the theory of Baalbek formulated recently by a Soviet scientist (who said it was built by travellers from outer space), Prof. Perkins replied, "It was built by perfectly good Romans."

There is no end to the archaeological imagination of non-archaeologists, Prof. Perkins says. "Not so long ago, some people from Lebanon dived to the bottom of the Red Sea to look for Sodom and Gomorrah."

Border Garrison

Prof. Perkins is now engaged in editing a series of publications on excavations carried out by Yale between 1928 and 1937 at Dura-Europus, a border garrison post on the Euphrates River built by a general of Alexander the Great to protect the Greek frontier against the barbarians. It was captured and changed hands many times and is today within a Syrian military zone on that country's frontier with Iraq. The Greeks called it Europus and the local people called it Dura. "We use both names now to be fancy. We don't know what Dura means. It seems to have a Semitic root and maybe it means fortress."

In a special article on paintings from this site, Prof. Perkins is devoting a great deal of attention to a synagogue dating from 245 C.E. which is "chock-full" of wall panels depicting scenes from the Old Testament. "Orthodox Jews find this very strange in view of the ban on human representation. But there it is. The building inscription says plainly in Greek and Aramaic 'This is the house of the Jews, built by Samuel the Elder.'

"The paintings don't have much artistic value, I'm afraid. You wouldn't get first-rate artists at a provincial place like that. There is a Torah shrine in the centre of the synagogue which is very handsome and built in a classical style."

The paintings were removed and are now in the National Museum at Damascus. "I heard recently the room was closed to the public. If nothing else, it's one way of preserving them."

Ben-R.

Cinemas

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ZION HALL: Destiny of a Man.
TEL OR: Mannequins de Paris.
EDISON: Auntie Mame.
STUDIO: Last Holiday.

TEL AVIV

ALLENBY: The Volga Boatmen.
ASMON DAVID: Auntie Mame.
CHEN: The Defiant Ones.
EDEN: Forced Wedding.
ESTHER: North by North-West.
GAT: Les quatres cents coups.
HOD: Le Joueur.
MAXIM: Love and Sacrifice.
MIGDALOR: The World, the Flesh, and the Devil.
MOGRABI: Rabetie goes to War.
OPHIR: Nuits d'Europe.
ORION: Le deu an nuer.
PEER: Piccoli (return season).
SHDEROTH: La Violetera.
TAMAR: Le rouge est mis.
TCHELET: Gigi.
TEL AVIV: Beloved Infidel.
YARON: Man in the Shadow.
ZAMIR: Hiroshima, mon Amour.
ZAFON: I Want to Live.

HAIFA

ARMON: Bibi chez les femmes.
EN DOR: King of the Khyber Rifles.
ORLY: Separate Tables. (Evenings).
ORAN: La fille de Hambourg.
AMPHITHEATRE: The Remarkable Mr. Pennypacker.
ATZMON: Fot Boulle.
MIRON: Carry on, Sergeant.
MORIAH: Operation Madball.
GAL OR: A Face in the Crowd.
PEER: Mother India.
TAMAR: Breakthrough.
ORION: Just My Luck.
MAY: Fables Femmes.

Cables in Brief

SHARP. — Don't play cards with red-eyed strangers, a contact lens expert, Dr. George Jessen, of Chicago, has warned a Winnipeg audience. He said card sharpers were using red contact lenses to see otherwise invisible markings on playing cards.

EMBASSY. — Iraq and Sweden have agreed to raise their diplomatic representation to embassy level, it was announced in Baghdad yesterday.

TREASURE. — Mr. Nehru told Parliament in New Delhi yesterday that his Government understood that the Dalai Lama's treasure, recently transported to the Calcutta Bank, will be used to aid Tibetan refugees.

TRADE. — Hungary has signed trade agreements for 1960 with Tunis and Turkey, the Hungarian news agency, M.T.I., reported yesterday.

BARGAINS. — American shoppers who stayed up all night for the annual sales held on George Washington's Birthday — on Monday — were rewarded with such bargains as a car at $4.22, another at $9, typewriters at 99 cents each and powered lawn mowers at 22 cents each.

GRANDSON. — The Marquess of Carisbrooke, 73-year-old last surviving grandson of Queen Victoria, died in London yesterday after being seriously ill for several days with a cerebral haemorrhage.

LYDDA FLIGHTS

WEDNESDAY

ARRIVALS: K.L.M. 835, from Amsterdam and Rome — 2105. B.E.A. 126, from London, Rome and Athens — 2340. Cyprus Airways 32, from London, Rome, Istanbul, Ankara and Nicosia — 2359. Air France 128, from Teheran — 0020. Swissair 330, from Zurich and Athens — 2310. El Al 436, from London, Paris and Rome — 0130.

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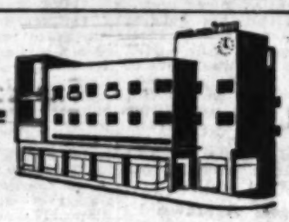
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Weather Synopsis: A ridge of high pressure is extending from Russia to the Eastern Mediterranean.

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Mt. Cana'an	16	5—15	4—12
Tiberias	14	12—22	14—22
Haifa Port	68	9—19	9—21
Netanya	62	9—21	9—22
Tel Aviv Kirya	69	9—20	8—22
Tel Aviv Port	74	10—18	9—20
Lydda Airport	69	6—20	4—22
Jerusalem	36	9—13	6—19
Beersheba	27	6—21	4—20
Sdom	26	16—22	15—22
Eilat	35	14—25	13—26

* A) Humidity at 5 p.m. B) Temperature range till yesterday evening. C) Temperature range forecast for last night and today.

ARRIVALS

Mr. Stanton Rubins, U.S.O.M. tourism expert, to survey the country's tourism-handling establishments (by Air France).

DEPARTURES

Mr. Richard Reuter, Executive Director of CARE, for Teheran, to continue his survey of the organisation's activities throughout the world (by Air France).

AN EXHIBITION of oil paintings by Lilian Levy, an American residing in Israel, will be opened at 8 o'clock this evening by Councillor Paul Jacobi, at the Safrai Gallery, 37 Jaffa Road, Jerusalem.

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100 DUNAMS of vineyards were yesterday planted in Moshav Omer, seven kms. east of Beersheba. The 11-year-old moshav, which has been practically abandoned for the past three years, is being revived by Rassco to absorb families from Beersheba and new immigrants from Argentina.

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A LIBRARY VAN, donated to the Wizo book service by Wizo in England as a tribute to Mrs. Ethel Solomon, Honorary Vice-President, was formally handed over to Mrs. Lea Beitell, Chairman of the Service, by Mrs. Rebecca Sieff, President of World Wizo, on Tuesday in front of Wizo house in Tel Aviv. The van will circulate books in 40 Wizo branches.

Pig Latin Accent Gives Thief Away

NEW YORK (Reuter). — A housebreaker's habit of talking in a version of slang known as "pig latin" led to his arrest on a charge of assaulting Mr. Daniel Schweitzer, Chilean Ambassador to the U.N., police said yesterday.

Three men broke into the Ambassador's home here on February 13. They asked Mr. Schweitzer if he was Jewish and, when he said he was, they forced him at gunpoint to give the Nazi salute and shout "Heil Hitler."

Mr. Schweitzer told the police he thought the men spoke a foreign language among themselves but he was not able to identify it. He carefully described some of the sounds made and detectives decided it was pig latin, used as a kind of code.

They looked up their records of criminals in the habit of using this form of speech, and found Joseph Edward Cullan, 29, who was released from Sing Sing prison last September after serving a term for robbing the same block of flats as that occupied by Mr. Schweitzer.

The Ambassador identified Cullan, who was charged with assault and robbery.

Sasson to Share Sadan's Judaica Prize

RAMAT GAN. — Mr. H.H. Sasson on Tuesday was chosen at the last minute to share the Ramat Gan Municipality Prize for Judaica with Prof. Dov Sadan, who had been earlier announced as sole recipient.

The original prize of IL500 was increased to IL800 which will be split between the two. Mr. Sasson shares the prize for his book, "Chapters in the History of the Jews in the Middle Ages," published by Am Oved.

In addition, a IL500 prize will be awarded to Mr. H. Bar-Deroma for his book, "These are the Country's Frontiers." The prize was to have been awarded last year, but its presentation was delayed for technical reasons.

Owing to Professor Sadagh's refusal to appear at the prize-giving ceremony together with Mr. Y. Bar-Yosef, recipient of the literature award, it is understood that the prizes may be awarded on different dates.

Mr. & Mrs. Ezra Daniel
are happy to announce the birth of their
SON
a brother to Rony.
Ellar Rehov, Tuesday, February 23, 1960.

OLIVIA AND DOV PALAN
take pleasure in inviting all their relatives, friends and acquaintances to the
Brith Milah
of their newborn SON,
at the Hadassah Hospital on Mount Carmel, on Saturday, February 27, 1960, at 10.30 a.m.
Please regard this as a personal invitation.

MORDECHAI MAX LIPPMANN
son of the late Nissan Lippmann has
PASSED AWAY
Laid to rest on Tuesday, February 23, 1960.
(ת"נ)
The Bereaved Family

Welder, Nurse, Busman Win Awards for Inventions

Jerusalem Post Labour Correspondent

TEL AVIV.—A welder employed by the military industry heads the list of 20 winners of the "Labour Prize, 1960" to be honoured by the Histadrut Executive here today.

He is Mr. Rafael Agnat, who invented a revolutionary welding process which helped his department to lower the price of its product and sell it overseas. The process, said to be of international significance, has stood up to all the required tests of the welding industry.

Hemda Galili, a nurse employed at the Rambam Hospital in Haifa, designed new instruments for use in the urology department. Miss Galili conducted extensive research on her own initiative and produced her first instruments from simple materials. Experts who used them found she had discovered a new way of avoiding post-operational infection. Her instruments were also pronounced superior to any of their kind in use now. Application is reported to be painless and simple.

Tire Changer

A member of the Dan bus cooperative of Tel Aviv, Mr. Dan Pa'amoni, invented a new mechanical system to lift and change the heavy tires of buses. He constructed his machine from parts salvaged from a scrap heap. The invention is said to save considerable manpower and physical strain required in changing the wheels which often weigh up to 100 kgs.

A tomato named "Ellon" won a prize for horticulturist Yehoshua Mines, of Kibbutz Ellon. Mr. Mines raised the new record-yielding strain (harvesting an average five to seven tons per dunam) after seven years of experiments. "Ellons" are reportedly favourites with greengrocers as well as housewives for their superior taste and appearance.

Other prize-winners are Mr. Nichola Bril, a radio technician at Lydda Airport who succeeded in improving teleprinter reception from 45 to 99 per cent; the crew of the national water conduit, agricultural workers, vintners and factory hands.

Each will receive a cash prize of IL250 and a certificate of merit. The chairman of the 16-man jury is Mr. M. Bar-Tal, of the Histadrut Executive. This is the sixth year the prizes are being awarded.

Labour Merger On Mapai Agenda

POST Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A "practical approach" to the merger of the labour parties will be proposed by Prime Minister Ben-Gurion at the forthcoming Mapai convention, Mr. Yosef Almogi, Secretary-General of the party said yesterday.

The convention, which marks the 30th anniversary of the party's founding, opens March 23.

Mr. Almogi is leaving for a five-day visit to Paris and London today, to attend a meeting of the Bureau of the Socialist International and to address Labour Zionist conventions.

"There has never been among the rank and file an atmosphere so propitious for uniting labour as there is now," Mr. Almogi said. He would not predict, however, whether such a merger, or even close cooperation, is in the offing.

Electoral reform is still "a very important item" in his party's programme, he said, adding that the fact that a person as highly placed as Mr. Ami Assaf, Deputy Minister of Education, had published an impassioned plea in yesterday's "Davar" against electoral reform "only proves that Mapai is a democratic party."

Histadrut Cancels May Day Festivities

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut has cancelled all May Day festivities this year because of the coincidence with Memorial Day — the traditional observance in memory of those who fell in the War of Independence — which is marked on the eve of Independence day. The decision was taken unanimously here on Tuesday by the Histadrut Central Committee.

As usual, workers will have a free day.

QUEUES at the Carmelit underground in Haifa are growing steadily longer with the recent rationing of tokens — no more than three per passenger — no longer enabling commuters to buy a small cloth and thereby save time. No explanation of the rationing could be obtained from the Municipality spokesman, although some vendors said the Carmelit management feared a hoarding of tokens in anticipation of the forthcoming fare rise. Photo Markiewicz

J.N.F.-Government Partnership Passes First Knesset Reading

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Israel Land Bills which is based on a draft agreement between the Government and the Jewish National Fund, that provides for the development of all national lands by a Development Administration to be run by the Government, passed their first reading in the Knesset yesterday. Herut and the Communists voted for the return of the Bills to the Government.

While speakers of all other parties supported bills, two Mapai Members — Mr. Israel Kargman and Mr. Amos Degani — urged that the staffs of both administrations be made subject to the provisions of the Civil Service Law (Appointments).

Mr. Kargman said the Civil Service Law should govern all employees connected with the implementation of the Convention between the Government and the J.N.F.

Mr. Degani said that the Development Administration should also be subject to the State Controllers Law. He also demanded that the Minister of Agriculture be granted veto power over the Development Administration's decisions.

Land Sales Needed

Mr. Nahum Levine (Herut) said that the issue was not the J.N.F. but the nation's land policy. The Bills provided that national lands could never be sold. But precisely in order to finance development activities the sale of public land should be permitted.

(On Monday night, Dr. Yohanan Bader (Herut) said that less than 700,000 of the country's 20 million dunams could be sold to private owners.)

But Mr. Yosef Serlin (General Zionist) saw nothing wrong in the rule that "the land shall not be sold in perpetuity." There was no nationalization or expropriation here, he said; the aim was simply that land holdings would serve the needs of the nation and of the economy. He also declared that national funds should not serve as a subject for personal or party dynamics.

Like Mr. Levine and Dr. Moshe Sneh (Communist), Mr. Serlin was sure that the bills would not have the effect of ending duplication, as the Finance Minister had stated in his opening speech.

Dr. Sneh said that with the establishment of the State all the J.N.F.'s functions should have been turned over to the State. Furthermore the J.N.F.'s constitution forbade it to lease land to Arabs, he said.

M.K.'s Legislate For Higher Salaries

POST Knesset Reporter

A bill linking the salaries of Knesset Members to those of Cabinet Ministers was tabled in the Knesset yesterday. While the Knesset Finance Committee decides on Ministers' salaries, the House Committee would decide on the linking ratio.

On the assumption that the bill will pass, the House Committee has already recommended that the ratio be fixed at 60 per cent of a Minister's salary. Knesset Members' salaries were last raised in April 1958. The present bill would be retroactive to December 1, 1959 (the day after the Fourth Knesset convened).

The House Committee also recommended that the salary of the Knesset Speaker be the same as that of the Prime Minister, and that the salary of Deputy Ministers and the Deputy Speakers be 80 per cent of that of a Minister.

The following table shows the present and anticipated salaries of a Member with a wife and one child, before and after taxes:

	Before Taxes A	Before Taxes B	After Taxes A	After Taxes B
Knesset Members	890	740	650	547
Deputy Ministers	897	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Deputy Speaker	897	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Speaker	914	1,200	[illegible]	[illegible]

A. Present salary.
B. Anticipated salary.

The bill abolishes the special tax-free allowances (included in the above table) now enjoyed by the Speaker, Deputy Speakers, and Deputy Ministers.

Decisions of the House Committee must be reported to the Knesset by the Committee chairman, and be published in "Reshumot."

Hospital Staff End Walkout

RAMLE. — The strike of 1,600 administrative workers at 18 Government hospitals was called off in its second day yesterday.

A meeting of the hospitals' workers committees at Be'er Ya'acov hospital, called the walkout off in response to an appeal by the Histadrut to allow more time for negotiations with the Civil Service Commission.

The strike had not been approved by the Histadrut.

The workers demand that their salaries be brought in line with those of Kupat Holim employees in the same grades.

The meeting yesterday passed a resolution deferring the continuation of the strike until next Monday and calling on the Histadrut to approve the renewed walkout if their demands are not met until then.

Mr. H. Gamadi, Secretary of the Civil Servants Union, said that substantial rises had been won so far for workers in the lower grades, such as charwomen. But the Commission had remained adamant on the question of rises for higher grades, such as clerks and secretaries, he said. (Hbm)

Strike at Textile Mill Pending

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The warning strike scheduled to be held at The Palestine Cotton Mills in Hadar Yosef here has been postponed pending discussions of the management's overdue payment of the workers' Kupat Holim dues.

It was announced here on Tuesday that as the Central Investments Company was in the process of acquiring a large interest in the company, the workers' demands had been referred to them. The Company's reply will be given today (Wednesday).

In Tuesday's paper, the Palestine Cotton Mills was incorrectly given as the Cottonia Company.

Builders Demand Full Employment

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Building Workers Union yesterday resolved to carry its fight against unemployment in the trade to the Government and the Histadrut. The resolution was adopted at the closing session of the union's three-day conference.

In view of the imminent cutbacks in the Government housing programme, much of the conference dealt with the threat of unemployment.

Another resolution demanded that the union be granted greater independence from the Histadrut Trade Unions Department in bargaining on wages.

It was also decided to switch to norms and premiums wherever this would enable the workers to earn more than on a fixed-wage basis.

This was the first conference of the union in which Arab building workers participated.

Coalition Splits On Beersheba Budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — The Municipality's 1960/61 draft budget has developed a IL120,000 hole on the revenue side following decisions taken independently by the Mapai and Mapam factions to vote against the proposed increase in property tax.

The increase had been proposed by the Mapai Mayor, Mr. David Touviahu.

Mr. Touviahu told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that the coalition councillors had apparently attained the status of property owners. "But they leave it to me to break my head in finding the money to pay for Municipal services," he declared.

SEWAGE AUTHORITY FOR GA'ATON REGION

ACRE. — A central sewage authority for the Ga'aton region was established here on Monday.

It comprises representatives of the Nahariya, Shavei Zion, Sulam Tsur, Ma'ale Hagalil and Ga'aton councils. The immediate attention of the new Authority, which supervises some 120,000 dunams, will be directed at flood-water control in the many wadis in the area.

Mr. Yosef Mair has been elected Chairman of the Ga'aton District Council by representatives of its 16 settlements.

NEW U.K. COUNSELLOR ARRIVING TODAY

The new Counsellor of the British Embassy in Tel Aviv, Mr. Henry Desmond Verner Fakenham, is due to arrive in Israel today to take up his new post.

Mr. Fakenham replaces Miss Barbara Salt, who left earlier this month after 3½ years in Israel.

Wild Life Returns To Blossoming Desert

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — With the increase of trees and greenery in the Negev, wild life is returning to the area in considerable numbers.

A flock of wild geese was observed in the area for the first time in recent years on Monday in the vicinity of Bitha, about 20 kms. north-east of here, foresters reported.

Deer have drifted down from the north and are roaming the wooded sections of the northern Negev in large numbers. Travellers in the Arava have sighted wolves, which have come over from Jordan.

A 10-day-old gazelle, which had broken a leg, was found two months ago by Jewish National Fund workers in the vicinity of the tree nursery at Faqqe. They put the animal's leg in splints and bottle-fed it.

The leg has healed, although the gazelle still has a slight limp.

Histadrut Opens Free High School in T.A.

TEL AVIV. — A free high school for 15- and 16-year-olds was opened this week in Yad Eliahu by the Histadrut Teachers Association and the Histadrut Education Department.

Classes are held four evenings a week in the Chaim Tiroshi School. Some 20 secondary school and seminary teachers have volunteered so far though no one suitable has come forward to teach Mathematics and English. Twenty-five pupils from Tel Aviv's northern quarters are attending classes. The fees are negligible.

Editors of Pro-Nasser Arab Paper Held in Jerusalem, Haifa

Jerusalem Post Staff

Two of the group of relieving editors of the National (Arab) Front newspaper, "El Ard," were detained in Jerusalem on Monday and an undisclosed number of their colleagues were arrested in Haifa and released on bail after questioning.

All were held on suspicion of violating defence regulations and publishing a newspaper without a licence. Thirteen issues of the paper appeared before it suspended publication two weeks ago for what were given as financial reasons. The paper, which was printed in Acre and which generally followed the Nasser line on Mid-East affairs, bore a different title with each issue—the term "ard" (earth) always appearing, however—in order to appear as a continue publication, so long as it was not licensed.

One of the Jerusalem suspects, Mr. Elias Mu'ammar, yesterday told The Jerusalem Post that the group is "only interested in setting up an independent Arab political party which will fight for our rights." Mr. Mu'ammar, 38, is a third-year pharmacy student at the Hebrew University.

(In 1957, he was expelled from Nazareth by the Military Governor, after he had gone there to help organise demonstrations of Arabs on the anniversary of the Kafr Kasim tragedy.)

Mr. Mu'ammar was released on IL100 bail posted by himself, as was the other suspect, Mr. Sabri Geries, 22, a second-year law student at the University. The police confiscated personal papers from both men, journals from neighbouring Arab countries, from Mr. Mu'ammar and a collection of photos of Abdel Nasser from Mr. Geries.

Both students appeared at various times as "editors" of "El Ard" and were frequent contributors. Full of praise for the Hebrew University, they said, however, that they felt "oppressed in Israel," where they thought they would not have equal opportunity to work in their profession. Mr. Geries, who said he is "anti-Mapai but not anti-Government," added that he considered himself "a part of the Arab race from Syria to Morocco."

"Mapai-Inspired"

In Nazareth yesterday, Mr. Manseur Kardosh, another of the journal's editors and a leader of the National Front, told a press conference that "the Mapai members of the regime have caused the storm surrounding 'El Ard' in order to convince the public of the need to continue with the Military Government, which their party finds useful."

Mr. Kardosh claimed that all issues of the journal had passed censorship, including those describing the Military Government as "hated heresy" and Prime Minister Ben-Gurion as "the dwarf of Jerusalem." He said the journal always appeared as a one-time publication because the authorities "kept putting us off" in the matter of a permanent licence.

Suspected 'Poison Pen' Typewriter Impounded

A typewriter suspected of having been used to write an anonymous threatening letter to a Jerusalem newspaperman was impounded by the police yesterday and sent to National Police Headquarters in Tel Aviv to determine if it was in fact the machine used.

On Monday, Mr. Gabriel Strasman, of "Ma'ariv," received a typed postcard headed: "A Warning Must Precede Punishment." The postcard complained that a recent story of his, dealing with two persons from Meah Sha'arim Quarter being held for 31 cases of housebreaking, had defamed the suspects.

The police questioned the suspects, Moshe Levi, 24, and Shmuel Weiner, 24, on Tuesday. Both denied sending the postcard. But a typewriter was found in Mr. Levi's home and police think that it may have been used to write the card.

MARAUDERS STEAL 250 NEGEV SHEEP

BEERSHEBA. — A flock of 250 sheep and goats were on Monday stolen in the vicinity of Kibbutz Ruhama by infiltrators from the Gaza Strip. The flock, valued at IL20,000, belonged to the el Atauna tribe, which is now grazing its flocks in this area. The U.N. has been informed. Police are investigating.

Ex-Deputy Chief Of Sachsenhausen Arrested

FALLINGBOSTEL, Germany (UPI). — Police arrested yesterday the former Deputy Commander of Nazi Germany's Sachsenhausen concentration camp.

Former S.S. Col. Heinrich Wessel, 55, was arrested at his home in nearby Dorfmark. He is expected to be formally charged with complicity in the deaths of hundreds of prisoners in the camp during the period 1943 to 1945.

Wessel lived under an assumed name from the end of World War II until 1954. He has been living quietly in Dorfmark since then.

U.K. Trade Mission Leaves for Cairo

LONDON (Reuter). — The first British trade mission to visit Egypt since the restoration of diplomatic relations between Cairo and London left here by air yesterday for the U.A.R.

The mission consists of a small party of businessmen. It is going at the invitation of the Cairo Government, which resumed diplomatic relations with Britain—severed during the 1956 Suez Crisis—last December.

Head of the mission is Mr. H. G. Nelson, Managing Director of the English Electric Company and Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Council on Middle East Trade.

ROME (UPI). — Italian and Egyptian officials yesterday reached accord on an Italian-Egyptian economic agreement.

Bail Allowed To Smuggling Suspect

TEL AVIV. — Over police opposition, the Magistrate's Court on Monday granted bail to Mr. Abram Hayim, the T.W.A. employee in Tel Aviv who was arrested last month on suspicion of smuggling transistor radio parts worth IL500,000.

He is to be released today on IL50,000 bail and a IL50,000 bank guarantee. He was also ordered to leave his passport with the police. (Hbm)

'Romek' Bail Plea To Be Heard Friday

TEL AVIV. — Reuven ("Romek") Greenberg, charged with extracting money under false pretenses, will remain in detention until Friday, when the court will again consider his application for bail.

Benzion Shwill, who is charged with Greenberg with having taken IL7,000 from an importer on the promise of arranging a permit for bringing in non-kosher meat from Hungary and Poland, was released on IL5,000 bail yesterday by the Relieving President of the District Court, Judge M. Kenet.

The trial of both men has been set by Judge Kenet for March 20. (Hbm)

ROAD ACCIDENTS 'ON TRIAL'

Road accidents will be indicted and tried in a public mock trial at the Edison Theatre in Jerusalem at 8 p.m. next Sunday. The "trial" will take place under the auspices of the Information and Civic Education Services of the Ministry of Education, the National Council for the Prevention of Accidents, and Kol Yisrael.

BOY, 3, KILLED BY BUS IN NAHARIYA

NAHARIYA. — Three-year-old Sami Shmuel was run down and killed by a bus outside his home in the Giv'at Transpeder Quarter yesterday afternoon. The bus driver has been detained for questioning.

Toledano Reviews Recruits' Parade

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Rabbi Y.M. Toledano, Minister for Religious Affairs, on Monday addressed a passing-out parade of Army recruits who had completed their basic training. He had been invited to the ceremony by the Chief Chaplain to the Forces, Aluf-Mishne Rabbi Shlomo Goren.

Rabbi Toledano spoke to the soldiers of the traditions of the Israel Defence Forces, and presented each one with a Bible.

Eshkol Pays Tribute To U.S.O.M. Chief

American aid to Israel over the past three years has totalled $90m., the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, declared in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Eshkol was speaking at a lunch at the King David Hotel given in honour of Mr. John Haggerty, who is leaving his post as Director of the U.S. Operations Mission after three years.

Paying tribute to the progress achieved through American aid during Mr. Haggerty's tour of duty, Mr. Eshkol said that the gross national product had increased by 35 per cent in that period and exports had risen from $22m. to $30m. He particularly stressed the part Mr. Haggerty played in arranging the loans loan to the Israel Industrial Institute.

Present at the dinner were the U.S. Ambassador, the Governor of the Bank of Israel, the Directors-General of the Ministries of Finance and Commerce and Industry and other Government and U.S. Embassy officials.

UK Immigrants Open Tel Aviv Club Room

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Some 300 enthusiastic British immigrants on Tuesday night crowded the Leah Freeman hall here in the Keren Hayesod building for the inauguration of Hitahdut Olei Britania's Club Room.

The new club will be open every Tuesday for dances and various social functions.

Dr. Peter Tabenskin, Director of the British Council, opened an exhibition of paintings by the Kassel Gab artist, Elias Kelin.

INDUSTRY, FINANCE and COMMERCE

Premium on Citrus Exports to Rise

POST Economic Reporter

Citrus will receive an increased export premium, the Finance Ministry spokesman announced in Jerusalem yesterday.

A final figure will be set at the end of the citrus season, it was intimated.

The present premium is 30 agora per dollar earned. Grove owners have been demanding that this be raised to the industrial export premium of 55 agorot but the Ministry has been adamant in its refusal.

The Ministry spokesman explained that the added premium will be paid in a lump sum to the industry as a whole to cover advertising costs and development of new markets.

MATZOT BAKERS SEEK INCREASE

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Bakers of passover matzot, who are threatening to strike to force a price increase, yesterday requested the intervention of the Ministry for Religious Affairs. They met with the Ministry's Deputy Director-General, Rabbi Z. Logen, who promised them that the Minister, Rabbi Y.M. Toledano, would contact the Minister of Commerce and Industry with the aim of arriving at a settlement.

The bakers, who have already begun to manufacture matzot for Passover, are demanding a rise of eight agorot on a three-kilo packet which now sells at 165 agorot. Their claim has been rejected by the Ministry of Commerce.

Rabbi Toledano was unable to meet with the bakers, as he was indisposed.

Negev Cattle Get Foot-Mouth Shots

BEERSHEBA. — Vaccination of both Jewish and Bedouin-owned cattle against foot-and-mouth disease was launched in the Negev on Tuesday.

Seven groups of veterinaries will work for the next three days to complete the job of immunising the cattle with the special vaccine developed locally to combat the Asian form of the cattle disease. The quarantine period will last two weeks.

The Money's There; Planning Needed

There are now more proposals from investors than industrial projects that are being offered, the Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Mr. M. Tsur, said in Jerusalem yesterday.

He was addressing the monthly session of the Industrial Council, which met to discuss the problem of industrial planning. Mr. Tsur stressed the urgency of proper planning in view of the abundance of investors.

SUPRA PAPER MILLS

At a press conference in Tel Aviv recently, Mr. S. Shalev, of the management of the Supra Paper Mills, stated that the plans of the Hadera Paper Mill to supply all the country's requirements in onion-skin paper might affect the very existence of the Supra factory at Lydda. He did not say that the Supra mill would face bankruptcy, as reported in our issue of January 27.

'Search and Seizure' Rules Extended

The customs and excise authorities would be granted the same authority with regard to search and seizure in connection with evasion of customs which they now have where non-payment of purchase tax is concerned under a bill which passed in the Knesset yesterday. It is called "Customs and Purchase Tax (Charge of Taxes) (Amendment)."

Presenting the bill, Mr. Israel Kargman made two amendments on behalf of the Finance Committee with the consent of the Minister of Finance.

The first stated that when acting merchandise, an official must notify his superiors immediately so that the necessary action may be speeded and damage to the goods prevented.

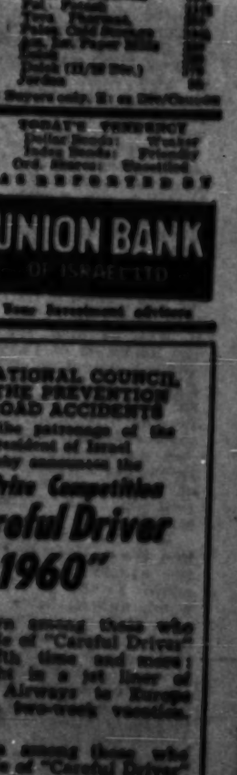
The second amendment was that the authorities do not intend to levy a tax on small quantities of stocks in the hands of retailers.

BAR-MORE TO EMBASSY POST IN ARGENTINA

Mr. Ya'acov Bar-More has been appointed Economic Counsellor to the Israel Embassy in Buenos Aires, it was announced in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Bar-More was First Secretary of the Israel Legation in Warsaw as well as Consul in New York.

Tel Aviv Stock Market



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Ike Mends Fences in S. America

President's Tour Largely Devoted to Economic Problems

By ERIC DOWNTON

Rio De Janeiro (NANA). — PRESIDENT Eisenhower 's touring South America at a time when the political and economic atmosphere in the countries on his route is better than at any time since the end of World War Two.

In Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Uruguay — the four countries he will visit — the improved outlook for achieving economic stability, and thus less political turmoil, is striking compared even with six months ago.

No one expects anti-Yanqui demonstrations of the kind that marred Vice-President Nixon's Latin-American tour, although minor displays by extreme nationalists are possible, especially in Argentina.

Latin Americans do not seem to regard President Eisenhower as the rich uncle visiting poor relations. They feel that the tour is a reaffirmation of hemispheric co-operation. The fact that this is the most extensive Latin-American tour made by a U.S. President is widely known and appreciated.

Viewed from here, the President's journey takes a dramatic perspective. The 20 Latin-American states, with almost 190,000,000 people, constitute the world's largest uncommitted group.

Explosive Nationalism

Significantly, senior U.S. diplomats in Latin America point out that, while the U.S. has defensive arrangements in Europe, Asia and the Arctic, its "fourth front," Latin America, is wide open.

Although nationalism in South America remains a potent and explosive factor, there are increasing signs of a real desire for cooperation, especially economic cooperation, among the Latin-American states themselves and with North America.

Indicative of this trend is the eight-nation pact signed in Montevideo this month looking forward to a free trade zone among Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay. And an increasing number of governments are beginning to encourage foreign investment capital.

Economic questions will be uppermost in the talks Mr. Eisenhower will have with the heads of the four states he is visiting. He will be dealing with men who have impressive records in restoring confidence in their countries' economies. They want more U.S. aid not to fend off chaos but to consolidate recent progress.

In Brazil, biggest state of South America, the bold economic planning of President Juscelino Kubitschek has sparked industrial and building booms. The cloudy part of the Brazilian picture is galloping inflation.

In Argentina, President Arturo Frondizi wrestles bravely with the economic mess left by a decade of Peronist fiscal extravagance.

In Chile, the improvement has been most striking of all. President Jorge Alessandri within a year has done so much to combat a crumbling economy and chronic inflation that for the first time in years there is some optimism in the air in Santiago.

In Uruguay, smallest country in South America, whose democratic pattern is often likened to Switzerland's, the economy is slowly coming out of a bad slump despite heavy flood damage 10 months ago.

President Eisenhower's itinerary has been restricted to Latin countries where the outlook is relatively rosy. Conditions elsewhere are not so hopeful. Enough economic and political instability is smouldering in other parts of Latin America to guarantee plenty of trouble during the next few years.

This is exploited by Communist propaganda about which not much is done in the U.S. In many parts of Latin America, for example, broadcasts directed especially to this area are better and more frequent from Moscow — or from London, for that matter — than they are from the U.S.

Gravest Problems

Two of Latin America's gravest problems will not receive more than passing attention during the Presidential tour. These are the need for land reform and the need for more schools.

About 1.5 per cent of the population own half of all Latin America's agricultural land, although only about five per cent of the region's huge area is cultivated today. Half of Brazil's arable land is owned by two per cent of the people. The percentage is the same in Chile.

Illiteracy is retarding programmes for industrialization and for improved agricultural methods. The officially admitted illiteracy rate in Brazil is 52 per cent, but in some remoter parts of the country it runs above 90 per cent.

A delicate subject in Latin-American capitals, and one likely to be diplomatically skirted on President Eisenhower's trip, is the high proportion of government funds spent on armaments.

Most Latin-American states are topheavy with armies and air forces. No one seriously pretends that these are for anything but internal security. Even in Brazil and Argentina the army has had to intervene to ward off attempted *putsches*.

The man with the tommy-gun is still the most potent politician in most Latin-American capitals.

President de Gaulle with Mr. Jacques Moukouri Kono, after he had presented his credentials at the Elysee Palace as the first ambassador to France from the Kamerun, the newly independent republic in the French Community.

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YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Military Rule Discussed

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) reviews the results of yesterday's Knesset vote on the abrogation of military rule in minority areas and still maintains that Mapam will take the initiative in bringing about abolition, even at the price of leaving the Government, "the moment it is assured a majority."

Hatzofe (National Religious) writes that the Prime Minister's announcement of plans to replace with Knesset legislation the Mandatory Emergency Regulations on which military rule is based opens the way for removing the minorities beyond the scope of party tactics by giving them equal rights as well as obligations, with State security as the prime consideration.

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) greets the Prime Minister's announcement, adding that its party abstained because it was sure that there were no prospects of the motion's passing. Ahdut Ha'avoda will continue to fight for the abolition of military rule.

Hamodia (World Aguda) states that it would not be out of place to examine the extent to which the Government itself is fostering the development of Arab intellectual forces as potential leaders against the State.

Ha'aretz (non-party) objects to the attempt of the Ministry of Commerce to deny the Friedmann Works in Jerusalem a compressor import licence, suggesting it should link up with Amcor for supplies and thereby giving the latter a virtual monopoly on refrigerator production in the country. Competition is vital.

Davar (Histadrut) agrees with the Minister of Agriculture that the only way out of our farming difficulties is to export agricultural products, even if the initial attempts prove expensive. Other countries have taken the risk and succeeded, and there is no reason why we should not.

Herut writes that any unbiased observer of the Middle East scene can see that Nasser is playing with fire but the marvel is that Mr. Hammarskjold, whose task it is to iron out differences and prevent clashes, not only approves of the constant Egyptian aggressiveness but, by ignoring international law and agreements, permits Nasser to employ power both at Suez and in the demilitarized zone, thus directly contributing to the prospects of a dangerous flareup.

Habeker (General Zionist) hails the public announcement of vacancies in our Foreign Service and hopes that it indicates a genuine desire to open up positions to all suitable candidates. This announcement is an admission of the failure of the procedure followed till now, which had turned the Foreign Service into a "closed shop" and a "city of refuge" for failures from above in Government service.

Ghana Ready for Big Count

By FRANZ PILGRIM

ACCRA (OFNS). — GREAT preparations are being made in Ghana for March 20, the date set for a countrywide census. With 1960 scheduled as World Population Census Year, Ghana is one of a hundred countries carrying out population counts on a scientific basis.

During the past six months the Government Statistician's office in Accra has resembled the operations room of a military headquarters. The country has been divided into 6,000 enumeration areas and 7,000 field workers have been trained to ensure that the census is carried out in a uniform manner with the same questions being asked in the same way with the answers compiled in similar fashion.

Although official population counts are not new to Africa, statisticians, economists and others concerned with the development of backward areas have long questioned the accuracy of most of these counts. It is accepted that in former counts entire villages and even tribes in the more remote areas were missed or, at best, their numbers estimated by an "inspired" junior official.

In addition, the type of information collected varied so much from one census to another and the methods adopted in the various areas were so irregular that there was no standard upon which scientific comparisons could be made.

Trial Count

For this year's operation several trial counts have already been held in rural and some urban areas. These have proved extremely useful in helping to train the enumerators and preparing the people for the real thing. They have also shown up some practical difficulties which could not otherwise have been foreseen.

One of the most important items of the pre-census programme has been the publicity campaign or, as the Government calls it, the "education programme." Every politician from the Prime Minister down and every chief is cooperating in this drive, for the census has become a "prestige matter" for Ghana. Where in former counts the chiefs of some villages used to fear being counted because it was felt that this might result in their having to pay more taxes, now the chiefs themselves are telling the people that the census will help the Government in "deciding the amount of financial aid to be given to each local authority in the country." One chief has gone so far as to state: "Whoever would abstain from being counted during the forthcoming census should be regarded as a living dead and therefore not entitled to human amenities." He has also threatened to expel any of his tribe who dodged the enumerators.

Refugees' Fears

Perhaps those who most fear the thought of a census are the Africans from other parts of the continent who are now living in Ghana. In some of the countries from which they came a census was associated with the recruiting of men for work on "forced labour camps." It was the fear of these counts that led them to flee to Ghana (or the Gold Coast as it was then known).

The fact that the forced labour system has died out or is dying out in most of these countries is not always known by these refugees, and they fear that the Ghana census may result in their being expelled from the country. The Ghana Government has been trying to allay the fears of these people before the census begins, but it is difficult to gauge how successful this has been. In any case, the total number involved is very small and should make little difference to the census total.

The last census held in Ghana was in 1948. Then the total was found to be 4,117,-779. Since then the population is officially estimated to have risen to five million. However, statisticians and politicians alike question the accuracy of the 1948 figure and they feel that the census this year should show the population as between six and eight million. Whatever the final total turns out to be, there should be no questioning the accuracy of this count.

Readers' Letters

HAIFA BIENNALE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The Museum of Modern Art of Haifa plans to arrange a regular Biennale of young painters, the first of which will take place this Autumn.

We intend to create a proper frame of discussion for young painters and for the evaluation and follow-up of young art.

All painters under 30 years of age are invited to submit their works to our jury, at the Haifa Municipality, for the first Biennale this Fall.

Yours,etc.,
POLA EICHENBAUM,
Museum of Modern Art

Haifa, February 18.

INGE TOFT EPIC

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — On the occasion of the stay of the Inge Toft in Haifa, I think it right to show our appreciation by inscribing the boat, the captain and the crew in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund and by extending our fullest hospitality to every member of the crew.

Yours, etc.,
FRANZ SIMON

Jerusalem, February 17.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I wish to express my deep respect for Captain Schultz and the crew of the "Inge Toft," to whom we owe our thanks and admiration for a moral victory, a symbol, maybe, of courage and steadfastness. I hope Capt. Schultz will be given appropriate honour for his stand (Freedom of the City of Haifa; high-level reception?).

In any case, I hope this episode will not be forgotten. Capt. Schultz and his crew will be marked by the respect and gratitude we have shown in the past to the crews that helped us bring home "illegal immigrants" from Europe.

Yours,etc.,
GABRIEL MOR

Tel Ganim, February 13.

PEN FRIENDS

MARILYN GLADSTONE, 20, of 147 John Street, De Kalb, Illinois, U.S.A., a sophomore at Northern Illinois University, would like a pen pal. Her main interests are music, dancing and theatre.

MISS CHANTAL POT, 18, of 39 Rue Jean-Jaures, Hornaing (Nord) France, would like to correspond in English with an Israel student aged 18 to 20.

MISS ADELE MILLER, 24, of 219 North Sarah, Apartment 303, St. Louis 8, Missouri, U.S.A., is looking for a pen pal in Israel.

MUSICAL DIARY

Great Expectations

All-Chopin Recital by Jerome Lowenthal, under the auspices of the National Chopin Festival Committee of Israel, the Jerusalem Municipality and the Rubin Academy of Music (Academy Hall, February 20). Valse in E flat, op. 18; Nocturnes, op. 27; Sonata in B flat minor, op. 35; Impromptu, op. 36; Two Mazurkas. Four Scherzi, op. 20, 31, 39, 54.

AN all-Chopin recital is always assured of a large audience, and Jerome Lowenthal has made a good name for himself in a very short time, so it is no wonder that people had to be turned away at the door. As the concerts arranged by the Rubin Academy are drawing bigger and bigger audiences, a bigger and better recital hall should be erected at the premises. As it was, many children and young students occupied the best seats.

To master such a tremendous programme, the artist must be in command of a perfect technique and a comprehensive memory. Jerome Lowenthal gave a brilliant display of both. However, the acoustics of the hall and the dry and somehow harsh tone quality of the instrument tended rather to exaggerate this often matter-of-fact touch, and one missed in it the ultimate degree of elasticity and smoothness, noting a certain shyness or unwillingness to accord this music all of its romanticism. Chopin demands more than outward perfection and a predominantly intellectual approach. But then Lowenthal is still at the beginning of his career, and everything can be expected from him when he reaches maturity. This recital was on a very impressive level and served its purpose well as a celebration of the composer's sesquicentennial.

Fine Duo

Duo Recital by Laszlo Vincze, cello and Ilona Vincze, piano (Z.O.A. House, February 16). Vivaldi: Sonata in E minor No. 5; Beethoven: Sonata No. 3 in A major, op. 69; Sonata in C major (1931) op. 5; Chopin: Sonata in G minor, op. 65.

THIS was one of these occasions where the performers' qualities are recognizable from the very first chord. Mr. Vincze played with real artistry, and Madame Vincze contributed a well-measured piano part.

Musical phrasing in pre-classical music is something that brings many a performer to grief. But in the Vinczes' interpretation of the Vivaldi, along with expressive musicality there was strict adherence to the composer's style. The quiet dignity of the first part of Beethoven's Sonata poses a special interpretative problem, which the performers failed to solve convincingly, but the charming Scherzo and the beautiful Adagio were real interpretative achievements.

The concert ended with a Chopin sonata that is not often heard. Here, of course, the piano part was dominant and Madame Vincze did it full justice. The Largo of this Sonata is a most moving song without words. Total romanticism indeed! Mr. Vincze played it with utmost feeling and expressiveness.

B. BAR-AM

Partial Success

Haifa Chamber Music Society. Antonia Lavanne, soprano, Gideon Roehr, viola, Edith Kraus, piano; Isiah Braker, violin, Asher Feldman, violin, Abraham Bornstein, viola; Yehoshua Rosenthal, cello. (Beit Harofe, February 19). J. Chr. Bach: Concerto in C minor for viola and strings; J.S. Bach: Excerpts from Cantata No. 202, Sonata in B major for Viola and Piano; J. Chr. Bach: Recitative and Aria; Scene and Rondo with Violin obligato; J.S. Bach: Concerto in F minor for Piano and Strings.

MORE than any other branch of music chamber music requires colourful interpretation as well as technical perfection in performance. From this point of view the concert was only partly a success. Gideon Roehr gave a deeply moving reading of the viola part in the C minor concerto, but he was badly let down by the Quartet.

Except in the middle register, Miss Lavanne's voice neither sings nor carries, but she more than compensates for this by her style and musicality. Mr. Braker, playing the violin obbligato, aggressively tried to drown out the singers, doing the same as the quartet leader in the Concerto which was only saved by Mr. Roehr's artistry. Miss Kraus is the ideal chamber-musician, cultured and refined, and her cooperation with Roehr in the Sonata as well as in the closing Concerto once again proved her supreme artistry.

G.W.-B.

Home Concert

Duo Recital by Rose Hurst and Freda Simbler, pianists. (Beit Freeman, January 23): Purcell: "The Virtuous Wife"; J.C. Bach: Sonata in C major; Vaughan-Williams: Fantasy on "Greensleeves"; Allan Richardson: Improvisation on a Nursery tune; D.E. Engelbrecht: "The Nursery"; Stravinsky: Three Pieces; Allan Hawthorne: "The Creel"; Constant Lambert: Three Negro Pieces.

HAIFA has many fine professional musicians, but there is little chance of meeting them or listening to them except in rare public appearances. So hospitality in the attractive form of home concerts is most welcome, and a charming sample was provided by two well-known Haifa music teachers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman, who played hosts to friends and guests.

With the exception of two composers the programme was all English. Mrs. Kedish introduced the composers and their works in a pleasant, humorous manner.

Lambert's "Three Negro Pieces," written on white notes, as the composer's remark reads, is quite exciting for its unusual rhythms. "The Creel" by Rawsthorne, divided into three movements, pictures the salmon's leap, the more ponderous movements of the carp and the vivid motion of the sprat.

The performance of both ladies won new friends not only for the works but also for their interpretation.

G.W.-B.

Promising Teenagers

Second Youth Concert by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra, Yahli Wagman, conductor (Y.M.C.A. Auditorium, Jerusalem, February 18). Mendelssohn: Overture to "Midsummer Night's Dream"; Bach: Concerto for Three Violins; Moshe Lustig: Transcriptions of Tunes by Yoel Engel; Stravinsky: Little Suite.

THE outstanding feature of this event was the appearance of three young violinists, all about 13 years of age, as soloists in the Triple Concerto. Miriam Fried, Yuval Waldman and Yossi Fogel study at the Israel Academy of Music in Tel Aviv, in the class taught by Mrs. Alice Fenives, and their co-operative effort showed thoroughly good schooling and a well developed sense of phrasing and dynamics, aided by a charmingly unaffected pose and concentration in the execution of their task.

Two years ago Miriam Fried won a prize at the competition organized by the America-Israel Cultural Foundation in conjunction with the Tenth Anniversary Committee and Kol Yisrael, and has since developed quite promisingly. Her two colleagues also show much talent and their progress should be watched with expectancy.

M.

Outstanding Pianist

Piano Recital by Paul Kelen (Beitenu, Haifa, February 20). Haydn: F minor Variations; Schumann: Etudes Symphoniques; E. Hajos: Sonata; Liszt: Tarantelle and Verdi Paraphrase.

THIS outstanding pianist, who arrived here from Hungary three years ago, brings to his playing the introversion that gives his music depth and content.

The semi-modern sonata of Efrem Hajos, who lives in Israel, is not easy to absorb and even less easy to perform. Kelen's best were the "Etudes" in which he showed temperament and force, and a Chopin ballad played as an encore to the long applause of the audience. But why — during Chopin Week — two pieces by Liszt? One would have been enough.

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Israel Mediates Between Bonn and Prague

By DAVID HOROWITZ

Bonn (NANA). — ISRAEL is mediating between Bonn and Prague in the dispute between the two capitals over the Munich Agreement, it was learned here last night.

The dispute has been going on for months and has been a major factor in the deterioration of relations between the Bonn and Prague governments.

Israel's mediation was requested by Bonn and Prague because of the special relationship between Israel and Germany and because of the fact that Israel is the only country with which both Bonn and Prague have good relations.

Israel has been asked to find a formula which would enable Bonn to declare the Munich Agreement null and void from the time it was signed, as Prague has demanded, without Bonn having to admit that it was null and void from the time it was signed.

Bonn has been willing to declare the Munich Agreement null and void from the time it was signed, but has been unwilling to admit that it was null and void from the time it was signed.

Israel has been asked to find a formula which would enable Bonn to declare the Munich Agreement null and void from the time it was signed, without Bonn having